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SUBJECT: GHANA DEBT: CONTRACTS

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1. NOTE DESCRIBED REFTEL HOPEFULLY YET ANOTHER EXAMPLE
OF IMPERFECT COORDINATION WITHIN GOG, AS GHANA EMBASSY
INFORMED IBRD OCTOBER 30 IT HAD RECEIVED CABLE FROM ACCRA
INSTRUCTING EMBASSY TO NOTIFY BANK THAT NOVEMBER 5 DATE
IMPRactical BUT GOG CONTEMPLATING OPENING OF NEGOTIATIONS
IN EITHER FIRST OR SECOND WEEK OF DECEMBER AND WOULD SUGGEST
MORE PRECISE DATE SHORTLY.

2. REQUEST EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY BRING OCTOBER 25 NOTE TO
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ATTENTION OF DEBRAH, EMPHASIZING THAT IF THIS IS POSITION

OF GOG IT CONTRADICTS ASSURANCES GIVEN CHAUFournier THAT SATISFACTION THIS REQUIREMENT WOULD NOT BE A PREREQUISITE FOR SPECIFICATION OF A DATE FOR OPENING NEGOTIATIONS, AS WELL AS ASSURANCES DEBRAH GAVE EMBASSY AND IBRD THAT GOG WOULD SPECIFY DATE SHORTLY. YOU MAY ALSO WISH MENTION THAT OCTOBER 25 NOTE IS CAUSING GREAT EMBARRASSMENT TO THOSE, INCLUDING USG, WHO URGED APPROVAL OF IBRD ROAD LOAN AFTER RECEIVING HIS ASSURANCES THAT GOG IS READY FOR NEGOTIATIONS. KISSINGER

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